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TAGS: EEC PFOR

SUBJECT: VENUE FOR EC MONETARY COOPERATION FUND

REF: ASEOURG 212

SUMMARY: GOL IS STILL INSISTING THAT EUROPEAN MONETARY COOPERATION FUND BE LOCATED IN LUXEMBOURG, HOWEVER, THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT GREAT BRITAIN IS SOFTENING ITS OPPOSITION OR THAT FRANCE AND GERMANY ARE WILLING TO GIVE THE BACKING TO LUXEMBOURG' S CLAIM WHICH IS REQUIRED TO OVERCOME BRITISH OPPOSITION. ABSENCE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FRENCH AND GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTERS FROM THIS MEETING
MAKES IT LIKELY THAT NO DECISION WILL BE TAKEN UNLESS
GREAT BRITAIN UNEXPECTEDLY CHANGES ITS POSITION.

1. FOREIGN MINISTER THORN IN A MARCH 30 TH PRESS
CONFERENCE PRECEDING TODAY' S COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
MEETING REITERATED LUXEMBOURG' S CONVICTION THAT THE
EUROPEAN MONETARY COOPERATION FUND SHOULD BE LOCATED
IN LUXEMBOURG. HE CONSIDERS BRITISH ATTITUDE AS
BREAKING POLITICAL AND LEGAL COMMITMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY
AND AS A TEST OF STRENGTH UNDERTAKEN BY A
LARGE AGAINST A SMALL PARTNER. HE ADMITTEOSITION AND THAT NO CAPITAL
PUNISHMENTS BE APPLIED IN THE
CASE OF THE ROYAL FAMILY BECAUSE THE STATE OF DANGER WAS NOT
IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE ALLEGED ACTS WERE COMMITTED.
THE LIKELIHOOD IS THAT THEIR PRESENT STATE OF HOUSE
ARREST WILL BE FORMALIZED BY A PRISON SENTENCE WHICH
CAN BE EXTENDED OR SHORTENED AS POLITICAL CONSIDERA-
TIONS DICTATE.
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